

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1.(original) A gasket material that is manufactured from a joint seat which is made from an ingredient made by mixing and kneading rubber, reinforced fiber and filler, and pressurized laminating and vulcanizing the ingredient by means of calender roll,

characterized in that at least the outermost layer of said joint seat that faces said cold roll is formed to have its flexibility and smoothness.

2.(original) The gasket material according to claim 1,

characterized in that the smoothness of said outermost layer is that the surface roughness Rz is less or equal to 20 $\mu$ m.

3.(currently amended) The gasket material according to claim 1 [[or claim 2]],

characterized in that the composition of said outermost layer is that the rate of aramid fiber as the reinforced fiber is under 7wt%, and the rate of rubber is 15wt% - 25wt%.

4.(currently amended) The gasket material according to ~~any one of claims 1—3~~ claim 1,

characterized in that the thickness of said outermost layer is 30 $\mu$ m - 150 $\mu$ m.

5.(original) A gasket material that is manufactured from a joint seat which is made from an ingredient made by mixing and

kneading rubber, reinforced fiber and filler, and pressurized laminating and vulcanizing the ingredient by means of calender roll,

characterized in that said joint seat has an mono-layer structure and, the fundamental composition of the ingredient materials is that the rate of aramid fiber as the reinforced fiber is over 15wt%, the rate of NBR as the rubber material is 10wt% - 30wt%, the rate of phenol resin as the filler is 2wt% - 26wt%, and the remainder is the inorganic filler.

6.(original) The gasket material according to claim 5,  
characterized in that said phenol resin is resol type.

7.(new) The gasket material according to claim 2,  
characterized in that the composition of said outermost layer is that the rate of aramid fiber as the reinforced fiber is under 7wt%, and the rate of rubber is 15wt% - 25wt%.

8.(new) The gasket material according to claim 2,  
characterized in that the thickness of said outermost layer is 30 $\mu$ m - 150 $\mu$ m.

9.(new) The gasket material according to claim 3,  
characterized in that the thickness of said outermost layer is 30 $\mu$ m - 150 $\mu$ m.